Opinion

Collect own taxes

Newspapers, like the telephone company, electric company, and many other businesses, deal with thousands of customers. In fact, the Carbondale News delivers newspapers (about 6,000) to more families than there are homes in Carbondale (about 4,200). Maintaining circulation records is a detailed process, but it can be done.

We don't see why Carbondale is considering using a collection agency when the city has people who can do the work themselves. The only thing the collection agency will do that hasn't been done in the past is cross check to make sure that the people listed in the city directory have sent in a wage tax return.

We suggest that the city lease a small computer system (about $250 per month) and handle wage tax collecting itself. It can do a better job than a collection agency and save money at the same time.

Free enterprise is best

The governor's press office recently issued a press release which stated, "Governor Dick Thornburgh today (January 24) predicted that 'Pennsylvania's state liquor monopoly would be broken up within weeks if every consumer and every taxpayer who is fed up with wide-spread corruption, poor service, high prices, skimpy selections and inconvenient hours would start calling and writing their legislators now!'"

We favor the adoption of privately owned liquor stores, but certainly not because of "poor service, skimpy selection, inconvenient hours, and wide-spread corruption" as the governor charges. We think that the service, selection, and hours at the Carbondale area stores are fine. The State Stores in our area are certainly on a par with any of the privately owned retail stores.

If there is enormous corruption in the State Store system, then the governor should do something about it immediately.

The only reason that we favor privately owned liquor stores is that we believe in the free enterprise system. Government should not be involved in retail sales if private business can do the same job. The free enterprise system has proven very effective at providing the public with the goods they want at the lowest possible cost.

Letters TO THE EDITOR

Raps Chelik

To the Editor:

I would like to respond to a recent article in the paper by Mayfield Mayor Chelik.

In his recent address to the borough Mayor Chelik made a referral to, "Big Brother," the ever present government who controls all aspects of citizen's lives. I ask you, mayor, what have you been doing in the past and at present?

Mayor, why not practice what you preach?

I have been a candidate for office in the borough more than once and know from experience that you are interested in, "His Honor," yourself, and not the majority of citizens in the community.

In regards to the newly built courtroom in Lackawanna County, the idea is working well, according to recent reports. Mayor, you seem to be the only one complaining. I would suggest that the magistrate involved do his own investigating and as you suggested, get to the bottom of that. I'm sure Judge Kosik is in a better position then you or the magistrate to evaluate this system.

One of these days the string behind your neck will snap and where will that leave you Mayor Chelik?

Thank you,
Name withheld upon request

Fell students

To the Editor:

I'm writing in reply to Rita Ruddy's statement of haloes vs. horns. In saying she would be overwhelmingly criticized is to say the least.

I cross the scool children who attend Rita Ruddy's beloved alma-mater and I check all my kids and didn't see one horn on any of them. It's a shame when children are put in the middle and can't speak for themselves.

I have been going to the Fell Building since the first day of the merger (9 years) and I have seen children from every area and believe me I have never seen haloes, nor have I seen horns - just kids being educated and trying to grow to be adult members of our community, be productive and happy.

I keep thinking of the Encore play of the Music Man and how much I enjoyed it and of the Carbondale Area Band who waited 4½ hours for a three minute time on stage. The kids were so happy that night and it's funny, I didn't see one horn on anyone.

I think Rita Ruddy was wrong in what she said and owes every child who ever boarded a bus to Fell Elementary an apology because four of them have been my children.

Sincerely,
Ruth Miley

Inactive Chamber

To the Editor:

What does the Carbondale Area Chamber of Commerce really do? The Chamber of Commerce does, I understand, sponsor the Small Business Counseling program and Seminars, but, as far as I have been able to determine, they are produced and presented by organizations other than the Chamber of Commerce. With the multitude of problems confronting the city of Carbondale at present, shouldn't the Chamber of Commerce be in the forefront of an effort to make a real impact on the city? Shouldn't the Chamber of Commerce be the most visible group in town?

One would hope that the Chamber of Commerce would have a number of projects underway at any given moment, projects to attract new businesses and industries and to develop and expand existing businesses and industries. At the very least, the Chamber of Commerce should be able to supply those individuals and businesses who are interested in establishing themselves in Carbondale with the basic statistics, profiles and other pertinent information about the city. To my knowledge, they are not able to do so. It has been my experience that phone calls are seldom returned, and requests for information are frequently unfulfilled. The office, it would appear, is not always open during the regular business hours. What are our membership dollars used for anyhow?

The Chamber of Commerce, it would seem, is in danger of becoming nothing more than a luncheon club, which makes me wonder-do we need a Chamber of Commerce, or, more to the point, do we need the Carbondale Chamber of Commerce as it presently exists?

A Friend of Carbondale
Name withheld upon request

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Do you remember when . . .

15 YEARS AGO

Fell Township made a presentation to Gratten Singer Paving Company firemen of asbestos fire fighting suits? Presentation was on behalf of L.P. Frieder, president of Gextex Corporation, also present were, Jacob Tokarczyk, John Valinski, Michael Zrowka, and Myron Opriako.

Gabriel P. Costanzo, Anthony Sponito, Joseph Mongella, Anthony Scavo, Joseph Costanzo, Fortunato Molinaro, Anthony Arnese, James Serge, were installed as officers of Italian Sportsmen?

The Journey's End played on a donation basis for the Mothers March dance held at the American Legion Hall, Forest City?

The monthly meeting of the Pioneer Tavern and Hotel Association, James and Angelo Gigliotti acted as hosts, also, election of officers was held? They were Andre Zazzera, president; Dominick Mazza, vice president; Edward Enslin, treasurer; and Jack Petrinato, secretary.

20 YEARS AGO

Street cars, long gone from the local scene, once were important factors in economy of the entire area, Forest City on to Wilkes-Barre?

On March 2, the Delaware and Hudson freight station at Trinity Place was closed and personnel remaining after a further cut in the work force were moved to the second floor of the general yard office?

Cadet George Kuzmiak, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Kuzmiak, 702 Madison Ave., Jermyn, has been placed on the dean's list at the U.S. Air Force Adacemy, when he attained a grade-point average of 3.147.

Miss Joan E. Ross, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Homer C. Ross, was on concert tours with the University of Connecticut Concert Band?

Airman Robert A. Collins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose J. Collins, was being reassigned to Sheppard AFB, Texas, for technical training as a United States Air Force communications wiring specialist?

Stephens Brun, of Watts Hill, Honesdale, and Carbondale, led the parade of honors in the Jersey Division of the Pennsylvania Farm Show? The cow, "Six Villa Dolly," was named grand champion Jersey cow at the Pennsylvania Farm Show.

James Baggetta, John Hernanovich, Ronald Wilcha, Boy Scout of Troop 85, St. John's Russian Orthodox Church, were awarded the Eagle Scout Badge?

Robert Tomaine, a freshman at Keystone Junior College, was enrolled in the engineering course?

25 YEARS AGO

Fell Township school directors reappointed John J. Powell as school district wage tax collector?

Five vehicles and the front porch of the home of Mayor Frank P. Kelly were involved in a chain reaction accident on S. Church St., one car striking the rear of a city truck doing cindering work, bouncing across the street to strike two parked cars, one of them climbing the curb to ram the Kelly porch and the other moving on to strike another parked car?

Miss Gretchen Conner, Benjamin Franklin High School senior, was crowned queen of the annual mardi gras of the Archbald Recreation Association?

Alberta M. Perri, 156 Dundaff St., attained a place on the dean's list at East Stroudsburg State College for the first semester?

Directors of the Greater Carbondale Chamber of Commerce approved a request for the 109th Infantry Regiment for permission to use the Chamber's industrial tract for spring maneuvers?

Eugene L. Coleman, Jr., 23, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene L. Coleman of 10 Dante Ave., was assigned to A Co. of the 4th Training Regiment, Fort Dix, N.J. for basic training?

The Rt. Rev. Msgr. William L. Farrell, pastor of St. Rose of Lima Church, announced that because of improvements which had to be made on the structure, the upper church would be closed while the tile roof was being removed, the truss of the church reinforced by steel girder and a roof of lighter material was being put in place?

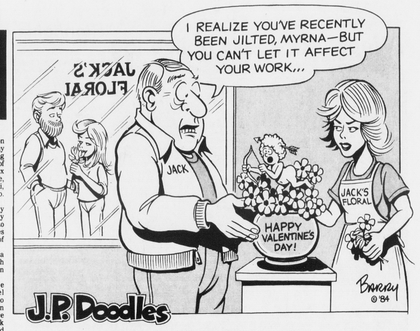
30 YEARS AGO

WARM-TV, the region's newest television station, began operations at 7:15 p.m. February 9, using Channel 16 and being affiliated with ABC Television network?

The Hudson Coal Company cut the Powderly Breaker work force of 106 by 48 men and there were strong indications that the company would completely abandon operations at Coalbrook shortly after April 1, idling some 200 miners. The Lackawanna and Wilson Creek tunnels of the colliery had been given up several years before?

Federal Judge Edward A. Conger ruled in Federal Court in the Southern District of New York that he could not sell the bankrupt NYO&W Railway when two bids for the property, one for $4,600,000 and one for $4,505,000 were submitted?

W.L. Giles, city engineer, submitted to Mayor Frank P. Kelly his report on the West Side mine fire with the recommendation that an open cut on a mammoth scale encircle the burning mass with radial cuts to be made into the fire itself to dig it out, some 300 homes to be purchased to make way for the project and an agreement to be arrived at between the Federal Government and the Hudson Coal Company on returns from the coal recovered and the defraying of the expense of the project?



J.P. Doodles

Keeping in touch

By James Laurie
6403 Darwin Road
Laurel, MD 20707

A Valentine message

When we were kids on the corner of our street,
Our favorite gal, on the sneak, we would meet,
In high school, in between classes,
In the hall, we slipped her a note, as we passed,
We took her to the Spanish Fiesta and the Senior Prom,
We can still see that look of proudness, of Dad and Mom,
We took her to the Irving Theater and held her hand,
Were we too young, to understand,
Love is the key that unlocks life's richest treasure,
Its infinite value cannot be measured,
Love knows no bounds, is blind, makes the world go round or your heart stand still,
It can a star or near, it can be hell or bliss or even kill,

Love is an emotion common to all, attainable for many, elusive for others, easily lost, often misplace,
A memorable memory, hard to erase,
Love is struggling, jealousy and grief and sex sharing,
Lifting and lovely, an awareness of sincere caring,
Love is excitement, wonderment and mysterious,
It's fickle or secure, fun or most serious,
Love is touching, has cured illness, altered personalities and caused the downfall of empires,
It triggers emotions, sears the soul and sets our spirit on fire,

Love is intimacy, devotion, acceptance and understanding,
Worth the price of being very demanding,
Love is nourishment for the soul, shelter for the spirit and a haven for one's heart,
We have paid our dues and taken part,
In Love...Love...HOORAY...FOR...LOVE,
Blessed by God Above,
With a Valentine, in our yesterday,
And most precious Valentine, Today.

Jim Laurie

PART ONE

Perkins' Midget Minstrels.

William James Perkins, Interlocutor.

ENDS

Abe Lincoln Humphreys — Rastus Coon
Hambone York — Justin Right Phillips
George Washington Schadel — Chicken Chaser Miller

THE CIRCLE

Kenneth Swindleburst — Donald Hoyle
Robert Swindleburst — Ralph Hoyle
Rexford Bell — Gordon Wilcox
John Bell — William Lewis
Delbert Moyles — Harold Howarth

SERVED AS FOLLOWS:

Swanee River — Mama's In De Cold, Cold Ground
Opening Chorus by the Company.
CHOP STICKS.
Introducing Hambone and Justin
Duet and Chorus — I Want My Mammy
Miller, Humphreys and Company
CHOW MAIN
Introducing Schadel and Miller
Solo — Slap, Slap, Slap
Charles York
Chorus — Song of Childhood
Company
CHOP SUEY.
Introducing Abe Lincoln and Rastus
Quartet and Chorus — Turk Me to Sleep
Schadel, Phillips, York and Humphreys.
Solo — Humpty Dumpty
Francis Coon
YOK - A - MAIN
End Men's Carnival — Five minutes of Fun
Solo — On the Island of Boo-Koo
Richard Humphreys
Closing Chorus — Good Night and Tags

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PART THREE

Sketch: TILLIE TICKLETOE.

Mr. Levizsky ..... Russel States
Mrs. Levizsky ..... Irene Jones
Jake Levizsky ..... Simon Ipsob
Hattie Jones ..... Grace Wilcott
Tillie Ticklefoe ..... Alinda Tirril
Panayie ..... Frances Spencer

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